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SUBJECT: G-3 TARIFF (SPANISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS)

REF: (A) STATE 58196; (B) MADRID 1654

1. WE ASSUME THAT REF A MAY HAVE BEEN SENT WITHOUT REGARD TO OUR LATEST REPORT INDICATING THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HOPES IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS HERE BY THE NED OF MARCH (REF B).

2. WE HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE DELAY ON THE SPANISH SIDE IS THE RESULT OF INTENTIONAL FOOT-DRAGGING HAVING TO DO WITH THE PROCESS OF RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION. IN ANY EVENT, IF WE CAN HOLD THE SPANISH TO THE UNDERTAKING TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS BY THE END OF THE MONTH, WE SHOULD HAVE THIS MATTER BEHIND US PRIOR TO RATIFICATION.

3. WHILE WE ARE NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE SCHEDULED AS EARLY AS NEXT WEEK, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WOULD BE CONVENIENT FOR THE U.S. DELEGATION AND WILL AGAIN REMIND THE APPROPRIATE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS OF THIS.

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